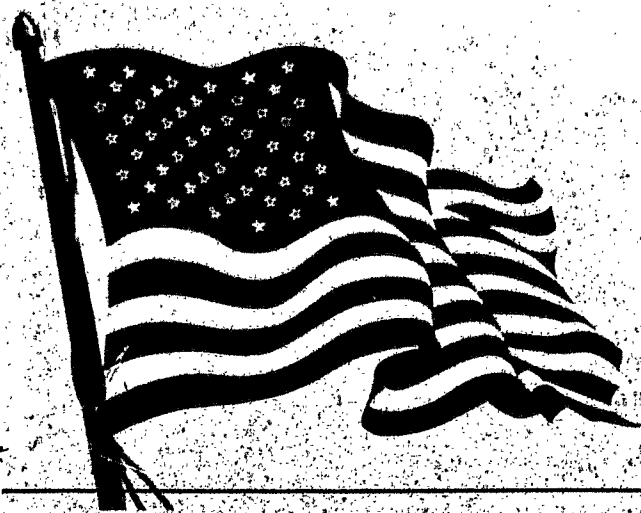


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## A warm Welcome Center welcome

The Hancock County Welcome Center celebrates Christmas with everybody!

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Bay artist/dancer Jackie Yarrington proves being over 65 ain't the end of the world.

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### School safety awareness meet

The Bay St. Louis Waveland School District will conduct a School Safety Awareness Forum on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in the Magee Auditorium on the Bay High campus. School personnel and law officers will discuss emergency plans. The public is invited.

### 'Hanging of the Greens' service

Main Street United Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis will host its annual Hanging of the Greens Advent Service and Concert, featuring the Southern Cross Gospel Quartet, tonight at 7. The community is invited.

### D'head Lions set BONCO Night

The Diamondhead Lions Club will host its second annual BONCO Night this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the community center. The event will benefit people who are visually and/or hearing-impaired. Call 255-4806 or 255-3347 for tickets.

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Elderly residents relax Friday outside the Hotel Reed in Bay St. Louis. The facility owner wants to tear it down and build a commercial hotel in its place.

## Future of Hotel Reed residents uncertain

Site owner seeks zoning change to build commercial lodging; up to council, now

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER

Staff writer

**A**ttorney Joel Black and personnel representative Chris Field, representing H. Ted Cain, owner of the Hotel Reed, a nursing facility on North Beach Blvd. in Bay St. Louis, presented a proposal to planning and zoning officials on Tuesday that would turn the facility into a hotel/bar. The attorneys asked that zoning of the property be changed from R-1 single family residential to C-1 commercial central business district to accommodate the project. The 98-bed nursing facility exists under a special exception clause.

The board voted to recommend that the city council deny the request for rezoning. Council will vote on the issue at the December 4th meeting.

Tuesday's meeting was filled with residents and nearby business owners who varied widely on their opinions of the proposed project. But in a room filled with what appeared to be mostly seniors, as defined by the American Association for Retired Persons as 50 years old and over, including the seven commission members, only

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## Teen arrested for murder

BY GEOFF BELCHER

News Editor

Police are still sorting out why 13-year-old Levon Alonzo Nelson was shot to death Friday night outside his home on the 600 block of Sycamore St. in Bay St. Louis, but they say they believe the perpetrator was another teen-age boy.

Shortly after the victim was shot, officers of the Bay St. Louis Police Department arrested Franklee Len Boudreaux, 15, charging him with murder. Bay Police Chief Frank McNeil said in a statement.

Police received the call at about 6:40 p.m., McNeil said.

Medical personnel responded and transported (Levon) to Hancock Medical Center, where he later was pronounced dead. It appeared that Levon had been shot one time.

McNeil said that witness

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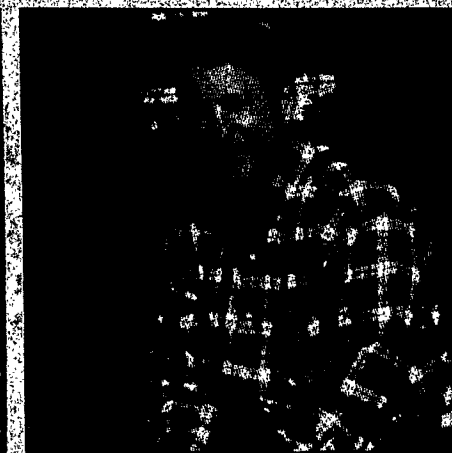


Boudreaux

## Santa came to town



Santa Claus made a quick stop in Bay St. Louis yesterday for the Hancock County Christmas parade, sponsored by the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. Chamber President Dusty Rhodes, below right, was grand marshal.



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U.S. Undersecretary of Agriculture Bill Hawks chats Friday night with Hancock Medical Center marketing director Janet McQueen at the Diamondhead Community Center during the first meeting of the newly-formed Hancock County Republican Club.

## Mobile home ban hearing draws dozens of angry, vocal opponents

BY ED LEPOMA

Staff Writer

The public hearing Wednesday night on a proposal to ban trailers in some areas of Hancock County drew a smaller and less combative crowd than was expected.

An estimated 60 people showed up at the Civic Center for the 6 p.m. meeting, but only 21 actually signed up to comment either in favor or against

the proposal. Of the 17 who spoke, 11 were against the ban. Bill Hessel, zoning consultant to the county Planning Commission, explained the reason for the proposed text change to the county's Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

The ordinance, adopted more than four years ago, needs fine-tuning as the county continues to grow, he said. He explained the proposed ban on trailers did

not originate with supervisors, but the Board did order the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing on the proposal after receiving a petition by citizens who contend the influx of trailers into mainly residential neighborhoods lowers property values of traditional homes and stunts future growth.

"We're not here to define

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# 'Tis the season



## Christmas Tree lighting is Tuesday at Kiln Library

The Kiln Community Tree Lighting, hosted by the Hancock County Library System Board of Trustees, the Library Foundation of Hancock County and the Kiln Library Advisory Board, will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m. at the Kiln Public Library.

The Hancock High School Choir, under the direction of Rita Wilson, will provide musical entertainment, and the East Hancock Choir will also perform.

Tiger Cubs Pack 20, Den 4 will provide assistance, along with Hancock High's ROTC.

Santa will arrive at the library via a fire truck provided

courtesy of the Kiln Volunteer Fire Department.

"We want this to be a community family event," said Prima Plauché, library system director. "This year the Steve Seymour and Jay Cuevas families will light the tree, officially opening the holiday season in the Kiln area."

Further information on the tree lighting is available by calling Sandra Ladner at 255-1724.

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Hundreds showed up Friday to enjoy fellowship, food and fun at the Hancock County I-10 Welcome Center's Christmas Open House Gala on Friday. Santa visited with children and adults alike, and choirs from Bay-Waveland Head Start, North Bay Elementary, Hancock Sr. Citizens and the Diamondhead Line Dancers entertained the crowds.

Echo staff photos by Ellis C. Cuevas

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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# Aging airplanes still 'royal pain in the neck'

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

Four aging and deteriorating Martin 404 twin-prop planes continue to be a "royal pain in the neck," according to officials who run Hancock County's Stennis International Airport.

The planes, sitting idly on the north apron of Stennis since around 1988, were in the path of improvements now under way, and the Port and Harbor Commission advertised last December, hoping to attract a firm that would move them and salvage whatever parts they could.

The legal advertisement in the Echo attracted firms from as far away as California and Texas. But, in the end, the commission awarded the removal contract to Anchor Services and Sales of Long Beach. The firm offered to pay the commission a total \$3,450 to remove and dispose of two of the vintage planes with an option to dispose of the

other two for the same price. Commissioners were elated. They were not only finally getting rid of the nuisance planes, but stood to make a little money as well.

Then, a Hancock County resident who studies radioactivity as a hobby announced to the media he found gauges and switches on the planes instrument panels that contained some "hot spots," and may be radioactive.

Before the state health department could pronounce the planes safe to disassemble, Anchor asked and received commission approval to back out of the contract.

The commission next went to the second-low bidder, Mitchell Construction of Pearllington, which offered to remove the planes for \$5,000 and was given 60 days to get them out. Time was of the essence because the commission was getting ready to let out the contract to reha-

bilitate the north apron where the planes sat idle.

The contract was let, and the planes were pulled off to the south side of the runway, and anchored down near the T-hangars.

The commission gave Mitchell Construction two 30-day extensions to remove the derelict aircraft, with the final deadline coming last Monday, Nov. 26.

At Tuesday's meeting, commissioners voted to declare Mitchell in default of the contract, and the firm will forfeit the \$5,000 payment.

In other business:

The commission approved payment of \$2.5 million to buy a 16-acre tract of land containing four buildings. The property lies opposite the runway on the eastern and northern boundaries of the airport, and the Hancock County Board of Supervisors had earlier given approval for the buyout.

Plans are to use the land and buildings to attract additional tenants to Stennis.

Commissioners also let a contract to H.A.S. Electric of Long Beach totaling \$100,837. Plans call for the firm to install airfield lighting, relocate wind socks, provide a back-up generator and install Runway End Identifier Lights. The project is being financed completely by a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Commissioners also voted to apply for up to \$800,000 in grants available through the Mississippi Department of Transportation. The grant, if approved, would be used to improve roadways leading south into the Port Bienville Industrial Park to an area near Linea Peninsula, where there are plans to expand the container storage yard.

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## Exchanging thanks



Bob Hubbard, left, Book of Golden Deeds honoree, and Joey Temples, Hancock County Exchange Club president.

## Exchange Club honors Hubbard

**SPECIAL TO THE ECHO**  
The Exchange Club of Hancock County has honored local citizen Bob Hubbard with the Book of Golden Deeds Award.

Hubbard was presented with this honor as a result of his volunteerism efforts, and he received a special plaque to commemorate the occasion.

Originally from New Orleans, Bob Hubbard moved to Waveland as a young child. He joined the Boy Scouts of America as a young boy and attained the rank of Eagle Scout.

After graduating from St. Stanislaus, Hubbard attended St. Joseph Seminary in St. Benedict, La., received an associates in arts degree from Pearl River Community College, and was graduated from the University of

Southern Mississippi in 1962.

After completing his own educational commitments, Hubbard shared his knowledge as a history and environmental science middle school teacher at Hancock North Central, Bay High School, and Gulfview School.

Although teaching was his "vocation," photography was his "avocation," including the privilege of taking photographs at many of his former students' weddings.

Today, Bob Hubbard is a member of the Knights of Columbus and has held many offices, including Grand Knight for Council #1522, and has been presented with numerous awards for recruiting. He is also an active member of Our Lady of the Gulf Church and serves as a eucharistic minister for local

parishioners who are unable to attend mass.

Hubbard has served on the City of Waveland's Board of Aldermen for 12 years and currently works with United States Congressman Gene Taylor.

As a charter member of the Hancock County Exchange Club and a member of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club, Hubbard has also received several awards and acknowledgments for recruitment.

The Book of Golden Deeds Award is an Exchange Club program that honors a worthy person or group who continuously donates time, talent and energy to help those in need.

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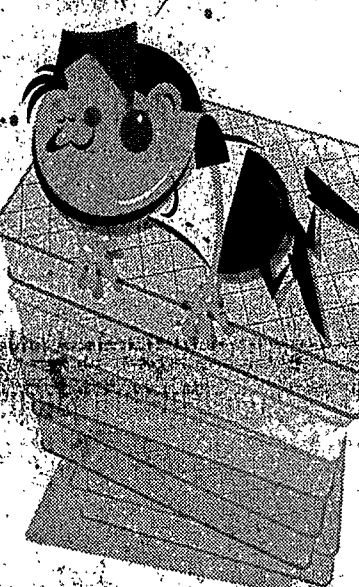
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## Hancock teachers receive Nat'l Bd. Certification

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The teachers, schools, and area of certification are:

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ees with National Board

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Lane Closing

Due to construction work, one lane of Beach Boulevard near Lake Street will be closed intermittently during daylight hours for the next 60 days.



## Holiday Events

at the  
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## Holiday Tree Gala

Sunday, Dec. 2

1 - 4 P.M.

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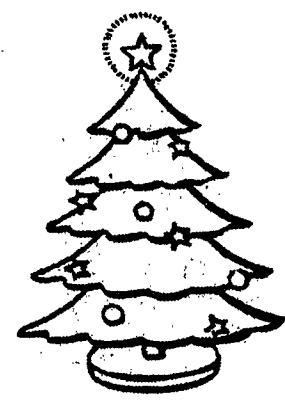
## Kiln Community

## Tree Lighting

Tuesday, Dec. 4

6 P.M.

Kiln Public Library



City of Waveland's

## Festival of Lights

Saturday, Dec. 8 - 5 P.M.

Waveland Library Literacy Center

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S STORY HOURS

Wed., Dec. 12 - 10:30 a.m. - Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library

Thurs., Dec. 13 - 10:30 a.m. - Kiln Public Library





## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

### Don't forget the Library Tree Gala this afternoon

The public is invited and urged to attend the Hancock County Library's 2001 Tree Gala from 1 to 4 p.m. today. More than 70 businesses, organizations and schools have had Christmas tree decorations very busy getting ready for the Tree Gala this afternoon.

In addition to viewing the very beautiful trees - and I tell you, many of the decorated trees are outstanding - there will be some special entertainment.

The popular St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir and Main Street United Methodist Church Bell Choir will be among the special entertainers for the afternoon.

And of course, Santa will be there for the youngsters so they can give the Jolly Old Man their Christmas wish list.

In addition to holiday music, Merrybelle the Clown will be on hand, and there will also be refreshments.

This Library Holiday Gala has something to offer persons of all ages.

Merrybelle the Clown will perform in the Margaret Hicks Shadoin Children's Library at 1:30 p.m.

The Main Street United Methodist Bell Choir, which is a three-octave bell choir, is set for 2 p.m. The 12 members are from all occupations and religions.

St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir will perform at 3 p.m. St. Rose's Choir is non-denominational and has performed from New Orleans to Atlanta.

In addition to the above, the Bay-Waveland Garden Club will host a standard flower show, Gifts of the Magi, at the library in the Seal Meeting Room from 1 to 4 p.m.

The Hancock County Library's 2001 Holiday Tree Gala is really something for

everyone to see.

The main library is located on Ulman Avenue, Bay St. Louis, fronting Highway 90's Service Road.

I hope to see you there this afternoon.

The annual Christmas Tree Lighting at the Kiln Library will take place Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m.

Santa is to arrive at the Kiln Library on a Kiln Volunteer Fire Department truck.

Since there is no snow for a sled in this area, fire trucks are a favorite mode of transportation for Santa.

Participating in the lighting of the Christmas tree ceremonies will be the Hancock High Chorus, Hancock East Elementary Chorus, Hancock ROTC, and lighting the tree will be Hancock Supervisors Jay Cuevas and Steve Seymour. Board of Supervisors President Rocky Pullman will make an address to the crowd.

Janet Benton, of the Hancock School System is scheduled to sing the National Anthem. The ROTC will handle the flag raising.

Assisting Santa with the youngsters who want to give him a Christmas wish list will be some Tiger Cubs. This is a big celebration for the Kiln area, and everyone throughout the county is invited and encourage to attend on Tuesday evening at 6.

Waveland's big Christmas parade will be Saturday, Dec. 8, beginning at 5 p.m. on Central Avenue next to the ball park.

We will be giving you more information on Waveland's parade in Thursday's edition, as this is a very gala event for Waveland and includes and old-fashioned barn fire.

## Veterans the top draw at D-Day Museum

AN AP ANALYSIS  
BY BRETT MARTEL

**Associated Press Writer**  
**NEW ORLEANS (AP)** - The anniversary of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7 is a time when attention naturally turns to war veterans. And interviewing those who fought in some of the more vicious battles the American military has ever known is among the most humbling experiences a news reporter can have.

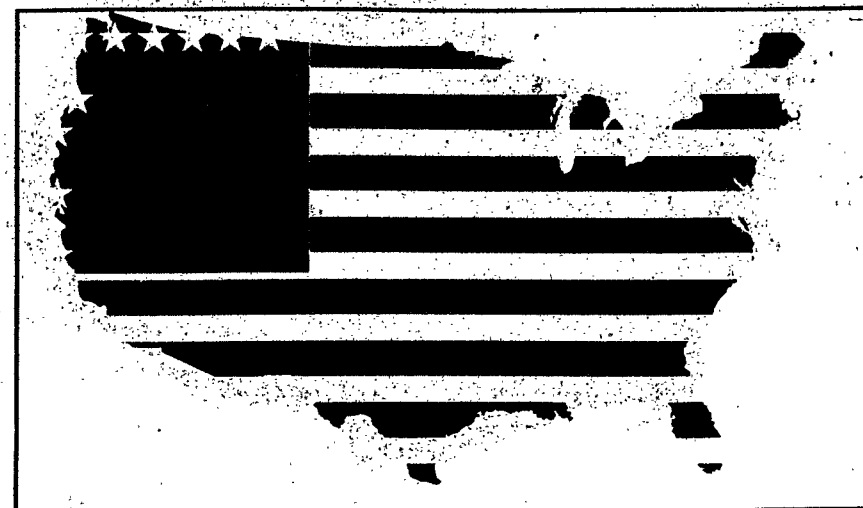
Working in the news business provides the opportunity to talk with accomplished, high-profile people, from actors and musicians to pro athletes, politicians and top corporate executives.

Most are proud of what they've done, as they should be, and are pleased to talk about it.

Many war veterans, however, tend to be more interested in discussing the heroism of those who died fighting alongside them and the need for those of us who've led a relatively pampered existence to appreciate that.

A lot of people seem to think this great country dropped out of the air by accident, says World War II veteran Joe Foss, 86. "This country was based on people who had guts enough to get out and fight for the principles we live by."

Foss also happened to be a two-term governor of South



Dakota and Commissioner of the old American Football League. But his combat record was even more impressive.

A Marine fighter pilot, he flew numerous Pacific missions including over Guadalcanal, shooting down a World War II record 26 enemy air craft and winning a Congressional Medal of Honor.

Foss might discuss his brilliant aerial combat exploits when asked specifically about them. But in a recent interview concerning the opening of the National D-Day Museum's Pacific wing, he never even mentioned shooting down a single plane or winning the Medal of Honor.

He kept stressing the importance of remembering those who gave their lives for the country and seeing the museum

as a learning tool rather than a monument to soldiers like him.

"People have given me many honors but I didn't need 'em in reality to keep me happy," Foss says.

On Dec. 7, the D-Day Museum will celebrate the opening of its new wing with a military parade and numerous other festivities. Foss plans to be there, along with a dozen other Medal of Honor winners and thousands of World War II veterans.

The festivities are expected to be even more elaborate than those of the museum's grand opening on June 6, 2000.

The museum will be a lasting success because it was built with an array of genuine and thoughtful exhibits ranging from artifacts and films to videos and maps using interac-

tive technology.

But for at least the next few years, visitors on any given day are likely to see something else of interest: an actual World War II veteran.

In a sense, an old soldier whose eyes water up as he pauses to look at the giant American flag inside the main entrance also is an exhibit - and more poignant than a bullet-dented helmet, map or documentary.

Fewer than 5.5 million of more than 16 million people who served in the military during World War II are alive now. Their average age is 78 and they're dying at a rate of about 1,200 a day.

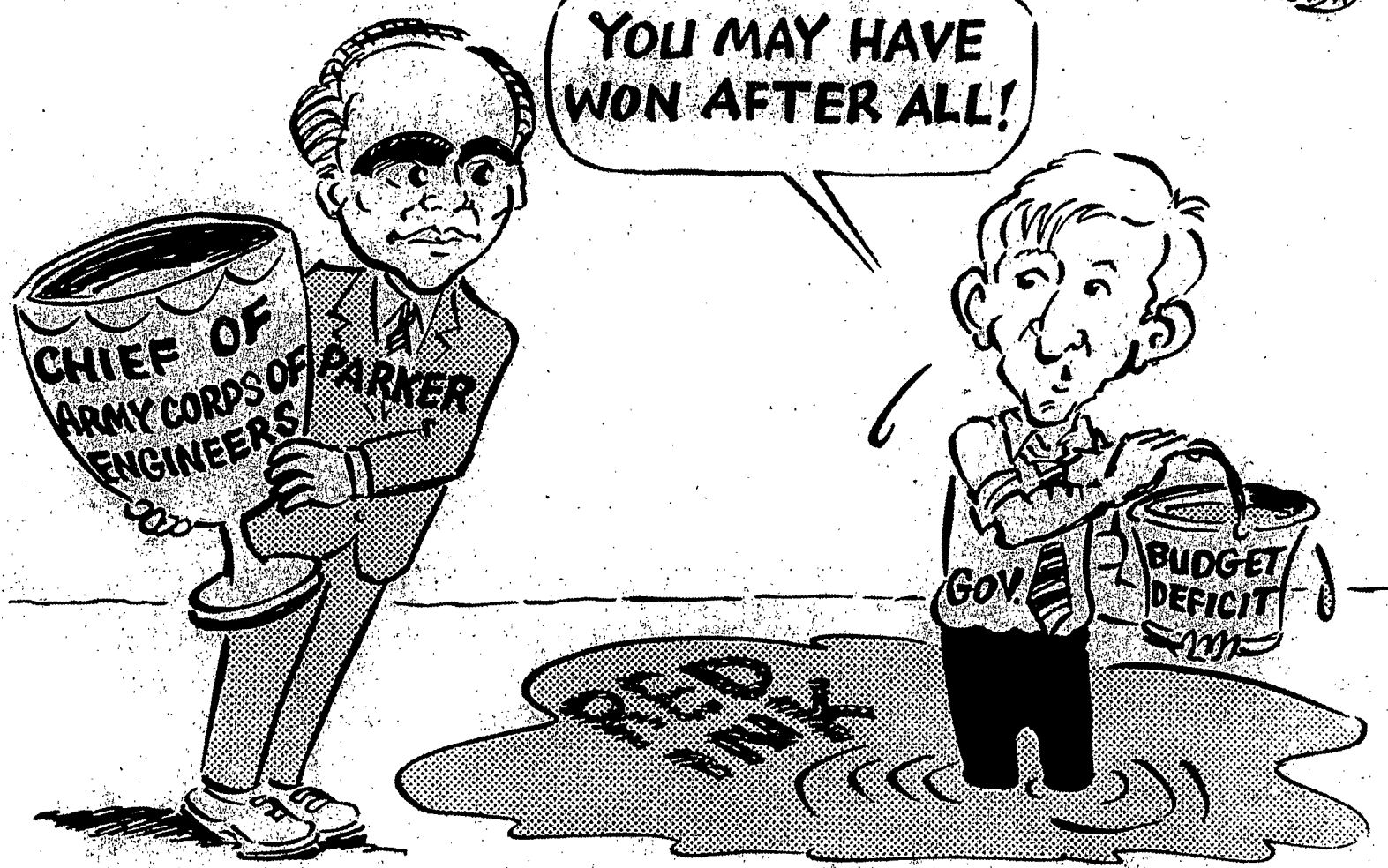
The festivities of the week-end of Dec. 7 are designed to help the general public interact with and learn from veterans like Foss.

Also on hand will be Gen. Paul Tibbets, who commanded the Enola Gay, the plane that dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

He'll join a panel discussion with other veterans and historians. The event will be held in the Ernest N. Morial convention center and will be open to the public. A similar program conducted during the museum's opening in June of 2000 was among the best attended events.

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### CONSOLATION PRIZE



### Residents opposed to zoning change in Bay St. Louis

Editor, the Sea Coast Echo:  
At a recent meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, when the matter of re-zoning the reed Nursing Home Property from R-1 residential to C-1 commercial was brought up, much discussion was about the hotel that was being proposed.

The issue at that meeting was not about the hotel. It was about zoning, which of course would be necessary if the hotel were to be built and especially if it were to include a restaurant and lounge.

Most of those present at the meeting were opposed to the zoning change as evidenced by the petition we presented representing 34 property owners living in the immediate area of the property. Fortunately the Planning and Zoning Commission denied the request

and it now goes to the City council for final decision on December 4th.

If the hotel becomes an issue at a later date it will open up a whole can of worms. If the owners succeed in obtaining a zone change from the city council, they can do almost anything with the property within the wide range permitted by a C-1 commercial zoning. And should the hotel plans fall through the property could be sold to someone else for commercial use.

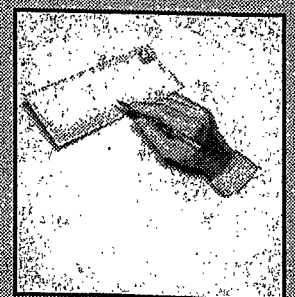
This is a matter of great importance to the City of Bay St. Louis, not only to those of us living in the immediate area, but to all citizens of Bay St. Louis who are concerned about the preservation and ambience of our community.

William McCandless  
Bay St. Louis

### Letters to the Editor

#### Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



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Q Are the proceeds of the municipal ad valorem taxes levied to support the municipal library included when calculating the 10% limit upon ad val-

orem tax increases?  
A No. (\$27-39-321 and \$39-3-7)

Q When must a municipality adopt its final budget?  
A By September 15. (\$21-35-5)

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# Library's Holiday Tree Gala is today

Don't forget the Hancock County Library's 2001 Holiday Tree Gala today, Dec. 2, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir and the Main Street United Methodist Church Praise Bell Choir will provide holiday music for the event.

The Praise Bell Choir will perform at 2 p.m., and the St. Rose Choir will perform at 3 p.m. Other entertainment will include a special performance by Merrybelle the Clown. She

will perform in the Margaret Hicks Shadoin Children's Library at 1:30 p.m.

More than 70 local businesses, organizations and schools will display decorated trees throughout the building.

"This year the response has been overwhelming," said Prima Planché, library system director. "We have a record number of trees registered for the event. We invite the public to visit the library and enjoy an afternoon of music and activities."

A standard flower show, Gifts of the Magi, will be presented by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club from 1 to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to exhibit horticulture in this show. Categories include decorative foliage, tree and shrub branches (12 to 30 inches long), salvias, herbs, and container grown plants (no larger than 12 inch diameter pot). Entries will be received 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, with judging beginning at 1:30 p.m. Entries should be picked up by 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Further information on the flower show is available by calling Lynn Nybo at 467-7019 or Alice Holmes at 467-3710.

Nancy Gex, Nancy Artigues, Lisa Coward, Karen Compretta and Margaret Taylor will serve as judges for the Holiday Tree Gala. The judges will choose winners in 16 categories, including Best in Show, Most Creative Tree and the Designer Award.

Further information on the Library's Holiday Tree Gala is available by calling David Woodburn at 467-5282.

## Sworn to serve



Ricky Adam takes the oath of office as Hancock County's new Justice Court Judge from the East District from fellow Justice Court Judge Tommy Carver. With him are wife, Tanna, and daughters, Morgan and Allissa. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)



Justice Court Judge Tommy Carver administers the oath of office Tuesday to Phillip Pavoli, Hancock County's new constable for the East District, on the steps of the historic downtown courthouse as mother, Mildred, looks on. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

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## Museum

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Another good place to find veterans will be at a post-parade event called the Gathering of Eagles, held in a convention center hall that will be set up like a mock military encampment.

Veterans, including Medal of Honor winners, tend to be rather approachable. But, when cognizant of the details of their battles, just being in the same room with some of them can be enough to leave one in awe.

Because the museum has opened in stages, those who missed out on the grand opening festivities and the powerful manifestations of patriotism they evoked get a second chance this Friday.

## Notice of public hearing on artificial reef materials

The Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission is holding a public hearing Monday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Imperial Palace Hotel, 850 Bayview Ave., Biloxi. Public comments will be received regarding the draft, "Position Statement of the Use of Automobile Tires as Artificial Reef Material" and the draft, "Resolution on the Use of Selected Materials of Opportunity as Artificial Reef Material."

Copies of these two documents are available from the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, (228) 875-5912. Copies of the document will also be available at the hearing.

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# Great Gift Ideas

## Santa's elves now at work at Bay Fire Department - and they need your help

Bay St. Louis firemen have swapped out their hard hats for their Santa hats in preparation for delivering gifts for Christmas to Hancock County children in need.

First on their agenda is to register children from families who need assistance. Registration is monitored, and applicants need to supply the following information without exception for eligibility:

- Child's birth certificate and social security number

- Proof of Hancock County residency, such as a current utility bill, electric bill, or license tag receipt in the name of parent or guardian

- Name, age, sex of child
- Name, address, telephone number of child's parent or guardian

Registration began Nov. 1 and will continue until Dec. 7, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Fire Department, 310 Old Spanish Trail.

"This is a busy time for the Doll and Toy Fund. We are soliciting aid from the public to help us meet our mission, making sure that the families we served are in need and keeping the public apprised of our progress."

"We count on those businesses, civic and social groups who help us by having new toy drives, such as the Mississippi Motor Sports Magic Toy Parade, the Asgaard Motorcycle Club, Whitney

Bent and others," said Gary Maurice, assistant fire chief and Doll and Toy Fund coordinator.

"And donations have been down this year, due in large part to the huge swell of donations to the relief funds for the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks."

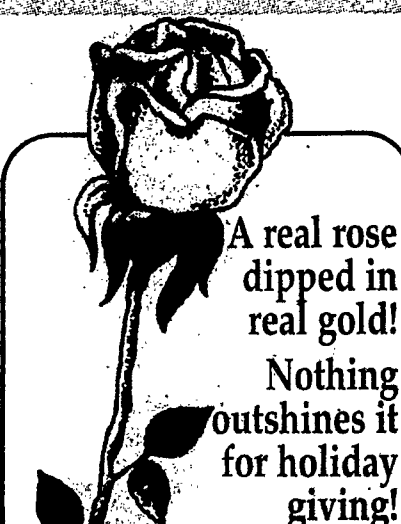
"Unfortunately, that has left the toy racks at the Doll and Toy Fund a little low."

For information, call the Fire Department at 467-4736.

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## Poinsettias grace MSU Christmas Open House

The doors to Mississippi State University's greenhouses will be thrown open again for the annual Horticulture Christmas Open House Dec. 7.

Members of the public are invited to attend the free open house, which is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to the more than 40 varieties of poinsettias and other plants on display, MSU's Department of Plant and Soil Sciences open house will feature educational seminars and door prizes. Poinsettias, wreaths and garlands will be on sale. "We'd like to show consumers there is more to red poinsettias than what's cur-

rently on the market," said Richard Harkess, horticulturist with the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station.

The open house is a chance for them to see a number of different poinsettia varieties with novelty traits that will be on the market in the future. "We're also going to show growers how some of the new poinsettia varieties perform in the mid-South."

This year's featured speaker is Ralph Null, a renowned floral designer, who will talk at 11 a.m. about "Creating Holiday from the Garden."

Several of Null's floral design books will be available for purchase at the open house. Other seminars will cover more on the holiday theme.

For more information about the Horticulture Christmas Open House, call (662) 325-2311.

## 125th anniversary celebration at St. Paul for Christmas in the Pass

St. Paul School celebrates 125 years of Catholic education at Christmas in the Pass, Friday, Dec. 7 in the evening.

St. Paul School treats the community to an array of events in celebration of its 125th year.

There will be a living Nativity, performances by the St. Paul School Bell Choir, and a Christmas Bazaar especially designed for children to shop for the gifts they'll give this Christmas.

Father Dennis Carver will

be spinning cotton candy for the enjoyment of the young and the young at heart.

Hospitality is provided by the faculty staff and school board. In addition there will be a train ride, a pony ride and an opportunity for families to have Christmas card pictures taken.

Available will be jambalaya, soft drinks and funnel cakes by the Knights of Columbus and spiced tea, cookies and hot chocolate by the Junior BETA Club.

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# BUSINESS NEWS

## Acquisition makes Northrup Grumman the world's largest naval shipbuilder

Northrup Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has announced the completion of its tender offer for all of the outstanding shares of Newport News Shipbuilding Inc. (NYSE: NNS), creating the world's largest naval shipbuilder. The tender offer expired at midnight E.S.T. on Nov. 29, 2001. All shares validly tendered have been accepted for exchange.

The exchange agent for the offer has advised Northrup Grumman that a total of approximately 26,469,213 shares were tendered in the offer, including approximately 14,503,155 delivered through notice of guaranteed delivery. This represents approximately 81.4% of the outstanding shares

of Newport News common stock.

As a result of the acquisition, Northrup Grumman is now the nation's third largest defense contractor with expected 2002 revenues of \$18 billion, nearly 100,000 employees and leadership positions in major growth sectors of the 21st century defense marketplace.

Northrup Grumman will initially operate Newport News as a stand-alone sector of the company. Over time, all shipbuilding operations will be combined into one sector to take advantage of increased efficiencies in procurement, information technology and operating systems. The company emphasized that it does not intend to merge its

various shipyards because of the vast differences between nuclear and non-nuclear shipbuilding.

Thomas C. Schievelbein, previously executive vice president of Newport News, has been named a Northrup Grumman corporate vice president and president of the new Newport News sector. He is also a member of Kresia's corporate policy council.

Northrup Grumman said that it intends to acquire the remaining outstanding shares of Newport News common stock as soon as practicable, pursuant to a merger of Newport News into a Northrup Grumman subsidiary. Concurrent with the merger, the name of the sub-

sidary formed will be changed to Newport News Shipbuilding Inc. Northrup Grumman said it now has sufficient shares to cause the merger to occur.

Following the merger, each Newport News stockholder whose shares have not been tendered and accepted for exchange will have the right to make the same elections for exchange of their shares as in the offer, subject to the limitations and proration procedures in the offer.

The value of the Newport News Shipbuilding acquisition is approximately \$2.6 billion, which includes the assumption of approximately \$500 million of Newport News Shipbuilding debt.

## SBA loan programs aid economic growth, recovery in Mississippi

During fiscal year 2001, ending Sept. 30, 489 loans were approved in Mississippi for approximately \$123.2 million by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) according to Janita R. Stewart, district director of the Mississippi District Office.

The loan volume and dollar totals represent an increase of roughly 26% and 36%, respectively compared to FY 2000.

Nationally, the total for SBA 7(a) and 504 loan financing in fiscal year 2001 totaled \$12.2 billion.

Statewide, 125 loans were provided to minority borrowers, accounting for almost 26% of the total loan approved in FY 2001. This represents a 20% increase in number of loans to minorities compared to FY 2000.

The Mississippi SBA

increased its lending to women entrepreneurs over last year by making 77 loans for approximately \$11.8 million, accounting for almost 16% of total loans made in FY 2001.

The office also vastly improved its number of loans to veteran entrepreneurs (45 loans) by 61% compared to FY 2000 when 28 loans were made.

Nationwide, SBA made almost \$3.5 billion in loans to more than 13,000 minority-owned businesses, authorized \$1.2 billion to veteran entrepreneurs and approved a record \$2.0 billion in loans nationally to small businesses owned by women in FY 2001.

This past year, Mississippi lenders enthusiastically responded to the capital needs of entrepreneurs by offering competitive commercial rates

and low loan transaction costs," said Stewart. "Our state lenders have targeted small business as the fastest growing market segment in the financial industry."

SBA loans primarily operate through private-sector lenders, usually banks, which provide loans guaranteed by the SBA. For those applicants that meet the SBA's credit and eligibility standards, the agency can guarantee up to 85 percent of loans of \$150,000 and less, and up to 75 percent of loans above \$150,000 up to a maximum guaranty amount of \$1 million.

**SBA's Disaster Assistance**  
In fiscal year 2001, SBA's Disaster Assistance loan program made 48,852 disaster recovery loans nationwide, amounting to about \$1 billion.

Of that amount, assistance to Mississippians totaled \$28.4 million due largely to Tropical Storm Allison, tornadoes, and severe thunderstorms.

The Mississippi total includes \$17.7 million for home loans, \$7.3 million in business loans, and \$3.4 million for economic injury.

The low-interest rate loans (around 4 percent), and longer terms (up to 30 years) made disaster recovery affordable for Mississippi's business owners, landlords, and homeowners.

Nationally, approximately 1.34 million entrepreneurs received business counseling and technical assistance through one or more of the

agency's resource partners (the Small Business Development Center, Service Corps of Retired Executives, and the SBA Women's Business Center).

The SBA Web site recorded more than 60 million visits, and reached an average level of 1.1 million visits a week. The SBA Answer Desk received 209,919 calls and 16,256 e-mail inquiries, and mailed over 43,500 small business start-up kits.

For more information about SBA's programs for small businesses, call the SBA Answer Desk at 1-800-U-ASK-SBA or TDD 704-344-6640. Also, visit the SBA's extensive Web site at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

## Dunn named to MHA board

The Mississippi Hospital Association's (MHA's) Society for Human Resources Administration recently named its new board for 2001-02.

Audrey Dunn of Hancock Medical Center was named board member at large. Dunn serves as director of human resources for the hospital.

## Garrett elected to U.S. Chamber board

Mike Garrett, president and CEO of Mississippi Power, has been elected to the board of directors of the United States Chamber of Commerce, the world's largest business federation, for a two-year term on the 100-person board.

Mississippi Power Company, headquartered in Gulfport, is an investor-owned utility serving approximately 192,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in 23 southeastern Mississippi counties. The company is a subsidiary of Atlanta-based Southern Company and employs more than 1,300 people.

Garrett has served as president and CEO of Mississippi Power since April 2001. A native of McRae, Ga. and a graduate of Georgia College, he began his career in the electric utility industry more than 30 years

ago at Georgia Power before moving on to Alabama Power where he held several executive positions.

Garrett is a member of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Economic Development Council as well as the Edison Electric Institute. He will serve as campaign chair for the South Mississippi United Way in 2002.

Board members of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce meet three times annually and are responsible for approving the Chamber's overall policy and strategy. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce represents more than three million businesses and organizations of every size, sector and region.

## Business workshop offered

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "Thinking About Going Into Business?" on Thursday, Dec. 6, 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach.

Fee is \$18 in advance per person. Seating is limited. To prepay, mail check made payable to USM SBDC to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS, 39560.

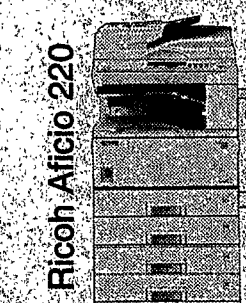
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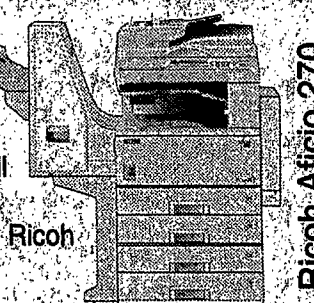
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## Obituaries

### JOHN HENLEY ANTONIO RAMIREZ LAURA SPRINKLE WILBURN TYSON

**JOHN HENLEY**  
John R. "Rudy" Henley, 70, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Henley was a native of Sewanee, Tenn., and lifelong resident of the Coast. He served in the Army during the Korean conflict and worked for Douglas Aircraft in California and for Devenie Construction in Gulfport.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond D. and Etta Garner Henley; and a brother, Raymond Douglas Henley.

Survivors include two brothers, David Joseph Henley of Pass Christian and Robert Hugh Henley of D'Iberville; and three sisters, Virginia Louise Mattis of Philadelphia, Pa., Mary H. Ladner of Gulfport and Joan Marie Sullivan of Pass Christian.

Graveside services were conducted Thursday at National Cemetery in Biloxi.

Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

**ANTONIO RAMIREZ**  
Antonio S. Ramirez, 61, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2001, in Biloxi.

Mr. Ramirez was a native of San Antonio, Texas, and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 18 years. He was retired from the U.S. Navy and Avondale Shipyard. He was a Mormon.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joe Ramirez.

Survivors include his mother, Refugia Sifuentes Ramirez of San Antonio, Texas; his wife, Maria Ramirez of Bay St. Louis; a daughter, Carmen Ramirez of Walbert, Minn.; and a son, Julian Ramirez of Bay St. Louis; and two grandchildren.

Interment will be Monday, Dec. 3 at 9:30 a.m. in Biloxi National Cemetery under the direction of Lockett-Williams Mortuary in Gulfport.

**LAURA SPRINKLE**  
Laura B. Sprinkle, 80, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday,

Nov. 27, 2001, in New Orleans. Mrs. Sprinkle was a native of Gretna and a longtime resident of Pass Christian. She was a graduate of Gretna High School, was a homemaker and a member of St. Matthew Evangelical Church in Gulfport.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James E. Sprinkle; a daughter, Sandra Lee Sprinkle; and her parents, Herbert and Edna Bennerfield.

Survivors include a son, James E. Sprinkle Jr. of Pass Christian; a daughter, Dr. Etta Sprinkle Licardi of Harvey; a brother, Herbert F. Bennerfield Jr. of Gretna; a sister, Bernardine Capeville of Belle Chasse; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Friday at St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church in Gulfport. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian. The family prefers memorials to St. Matthew Evangelical Church, 1301 31st Ave., Gulfport, MS 39501.

**WILBURN TYSON**  
Wilburn H. "W.H." Tyson, 82,

of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Tyson was a native of Nashville, Ga., and a resident of Long Beach for 34 years. He served as Senior Master Sgt. in the Air Force and served in Korea and World War II. He was a member of American Joe Legion Graham Post 119, American Legion in Gulfport, a member of VFW in Long Beach and was retired from the Air Force after 20 years of active duty and retired after 30 years at Keesler AFB as a civil service civil engineer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bessie Lou Tyson; a son, Gary T. Tyson; and a sister, Opal Peterson.

Survivors include a daughter, Karen Moran of Pass Christian; a son, Jeff Tyson of Orlando, Fla.; a sister, Virginia Goodwine of Dayton, Texas; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Friday at Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport. Burial was in National Cemetery in Biloxi with military honors.

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### Teacher of the Month



The Rotary Club's Education Chairman Bob Hubbard, left, congratulates the 2001 October Teacher of the Month Anne B. Shaw, center. She is joined by Hancock High School Principal Willie Shook.

## Tag violations 'one a minute' at school

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS  
Publisher Emeritus

Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber reported Friday that during a 15-minute period Thursday morning, 15 citations were written by deputies for out-of-state tag violations at Hancock East Elementary.

"Deputies will be back and also visit other schools in the county during this crack down on out-of-state tag violations," Garber emphasized.

Garber issued a warning three weeks ago that his department would be checking out-of-state vehicle tag violators.

The announcement came from Garber a day after a story appeared in the Nov. 8 issue of The Echo, in which District Attorney Cono Caranna warned residents of Hancock County that if they are claiming homestead exemption in the county, they must obtain Hancock County tags for all vehicles. Caranna said violators face felony charges and could be subject to fines and imprisonment.

Garber had said he had not received a direct order from Caranna to set up roadblocks, but the subject of checking for violators has been discussed in various workshops with the Board of Supervisors and Tax Assessor/Collector Jimmie Ladner.

During October neighboring Pearl River County launched a similar campaign and caught several violators.

In his press release Caranna said, "Mississippi law requires that any person applying for homestead exemption on his or her home must have a valid Mississippi tag on all vehicles owned by them."

He said any person who makes a false statement regarding their vehicle tags when applying for homestead exemption is guilty of a felony and upon conviction may be punished by up to two years in the state penitentiary and/or up to \$5,000 fine.

In addition any person who resides in Mississippi and displays out-of-state tag or tag that was issued for another vehicle may be imprisoned in the county jail for one year and fined up to \$1,000," Caranna warned.

Garber said that Thursday's checking by deputies was only limited to 15 minutes because of rain, and "Deputies will be

setting up more road blocks in the near future."

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Eight members of the foundation from across the coast will leave on a trip to Hawaii this week, to participate in a walk to raise funds for arthritis research.

## Waveland police are watching

It's that time of year again. The holiday season where parties are everywhere and people are partaking of the holiday cheer.

The Waveland Police Department wants to remind everyone that if you find yourself somewhere in the city where you have had too much to drink, Waveland Police, as always during the holiday season, will give you a ride home.

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The Waveland Police Department offers this service year round to everyone in the city, but would just like to emphasize this offer during the holiday season.

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## SPORTS

## SSC, Bay, HHS &amp; Pass all get wins

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-aways tangled with the North Forrest Eagles in a non-division clash on Friday, November 30 in Bay St. Louis. The Rocks blisters the Eagles 63-37.

SSC played some intense defense to hold the Eagles to just 20 points through three periods. In the fourth period, North Forrest added 17 points to the scoreboard to make their final tally.

The Rocks led at halftime 33-16 and only allowed four points in the third period.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner stated, "I thought we did a good defensive job holding them to 20 points through three periods. In the fourth period, North Forrest scored 17 points with the same personnel on the floor. When we got way ahead, I think we lost our intensity. As a team, we can't let that happen. We played well for three periods but we have to learn to play 32 minutes and finish the game."

The Rocks (5-3) were led by

Gabe Willis with 18 points followed by Brian Butler with 15 points.

In the junior varsity game, the Rocks won 56-26 to move to 6-1 on the season. Brett Amond and Sam Tart scored 12 points while Philman Ladner chipped in nine points in the win. Sam Tart added nine rebounds for the Rocks.

On Thursday, November 30, the Hancock Hawks took on the D'Iberville Warriors in a non-division game. Hancock defeated the Warriors 72-46 in Kiln.

The Hawks held a slight lead 40-35 at halftime. Hancock held the Warriors to little output in the third period and extended their lead to 59-40 en route to the win.

Cody Ladner led three Hawks in double-digits with 26 points. John Bissel scored 14 points while Kael Peterson chipped in 12 points in the win.

In soccer action on Thursday, November 29, the OLA Crescents downed the North Forrest Eagles 11-0. Emily Meyers and Rachel Cranford

each scored two goals. Julie Reboul, Ellen Ladner, Kara Harshbarger, Lauren Ellis, Lauren Goulet, Lauren Rittiner, and Jennifer Cootz each scored a goal in the win. OLA improved their season record to 5-1-1.

In other high school basketball action on Tuesday, November 28, the Bay High girls defeated the Lady Warriors of D'Iberville 62-41. Kendra Reed scored a double-double for Bay High chipping in 17 points and pulling down 13 rebounds. Carmen Labat was the other Lady Tiger in double-digits with 16 points.

The Pass Christian Lady Pirates pushed past the OLA Crescents 62-38. Deanna Ladner scored 21 points and had 12 rebounds for the Lady Pirates. Charlela Melancon added 15 points in the win.

Melody Majors scored 14 points while Denira Dedeaux added 13 points in the loss for OLA. Pass Christian upped their record to 6-4 overall. Harrison Central handed

their OLA Crescents their first loss of the season in high school soccer with a 2-1 win on Tuesday, November 28. Ashley Chrisman scored the lone goal for the Crescents in the game. OLA is the two-time defending state champion in Class 1A-2A-3A.

St. Stanislaus blanked the Red Rebels of Harrison Central 5-0 for their second shutout of the year. The Rocks improved to 5-0. Peter Doty scored twice while Drew Cranford, Kyle Lewis, and Jake Johnson each added a goal for SSC. Sean Olsen recorded the shutout in goal for the Rocks.

When the Mississippi Sea Wolves take the ice on Friday, November 30, against Baton Rouge Jeremy Rebek will be back in the lineup. Rebek, a power-play specialist, has been on the injured reserve and missed nine games due to a knee injury.

## Pass student to compete in golf tourney

Canebrake Golf Club in Hattiesburg will host the 2001 Mississippi Junior Cup Matches and the 2001 Tournament of Champions Dec. 8-9.

Team members include Tyler Gann of Pass Christian.

The junior cup matches were created in 1999 to honor the best junior golfers in the state. The top 10 point earners from the 2001 Player of the Year point standings in Groups A & B and the top point earner in Group C & Group D from the North and South will make up the 12-player teams.

Interstate 20 was used as the

dividing line to determine North-South. The players earn points by participating and finishing in the top positions in their age divisions.

The juniors compete in four-ball and singles matches. The South team won the cup in 1999 and 2000. The North team will be led by team captain Robert Pannell of Greenwood. Pannell is the honorary president of the Mississippi Golf Association and has participated in three MGA/MPGA Cup Matches.

Vice president of the MGA, Tommy Snell of Gulfport, will lead the South team to defend

their title. Snell is the head golf coach at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

The junior cup team members will be honored at an awards banquet on Saturday, December 8.

The Tournament of Champions is a championship for players who have earned recognition as a club champion at a MGA member club, MGA-sanctioned event champion, a state tournament champion, finishing in the Top 40 in the MGA Player of the Year or Top 10 in the Senior Player of the Year Point Standings.

## Soccer update: Hancock falls to Vancleave; OLA takes two games

**Hancock-Vancleave**  
The Hancock Lady Hawks fell to the Vancleave Lady Bulldogs, 5-1, last week in high school soccer play. Courtney Vincent scored on as assist from Kandace Boos for the Lady Hawks only goal.

**OLA-North Forrest**  
Our Lady Academy blanked North Forrest 11-0 Thursday night in soccer action. Emily Meyers and Rachel Cranford scored two goals each for the Crescents. Julie Reboul, Laura Ellis, Jennifer Cootz, Ellen Ladner, Lauren Rittiner, Kara Harshbarger, and Lauren Goulet all added goals as OLA improved to 5-1-1.

Meyers had two assists in the

game while Ladner, Harshbarger, Lauren Forte, Goulet, Cootz and Bretta Walsh had one each. Ladner recorded the shutout in goal.

**OLA-Ocean Springs**  
Our Lady Academy caged the Ocean Springs Lady Greyhounds 3-1 in high school

soccer action Thursday night. Rachel Cranford, Kara Harshbarger and Emily Meyers scored goals for the Crescents. Laura Ellis had an assist.

The 6-1-1 defending state champion Crescents will travel to North Forrest for a 6 p.m. contest Monday night.

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## Ban -- County residents oppose mobile home ban

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what a mobile home is or what a manufactured home is," said Hessel. "We accept the fact that they provide acceptable alternative housing."

The proposal would prohibit any more manufactured homes from coming into areas of the county zoned "R-2-Medium Density Residential." The ban would apply to Shoreline Park, Bayside Park, Clermont Harbor, Heron Bay and a few other pocket areas of the county.

Hessel pointed out mobile homes would still be allowed in roughly 90 percent of Hancock County, some "by right," without a required public hearing.

"Nobody is trying to eliminate anything," said Hessel.

Hessel said before he drafted the proposed text change, he and a member of the Planning Commission made a number of visits to the areas that would be affected.

"People were pulling anything in there. It is creating chaos," said Hessel. "The land use is not in the best interest of sound residential development. It undermines future residential development."

Hessel recommended adopting the ban. "It clearly will promote stability of neighborhoods and would serve the county's best interest now and in the long term," he said.

Lynn Bell, president of the Garden Islands Civic Association, said she and her organization favored the trailer ban.

"Trailers have an adverse effect on property values," said

Bell. Due to trailers around her neighborhood, Bell said, her property is up for sale, but is valued at \$5,000 less than it cost to build.

Bell also took a swipe at those who sell manufactured homes. "They have no long-term stake in Hancock County. They just want to make a deal and move on," she said.

William Marino of Bayside Park was one of the first to object. He said he has spent five years clearing his lot at Royal Oak and Comeaux, and now discovered he can't bring in a mobile home. "I can't afford to put in a \$60,000 home. I can't afford that kind of money," he said.

Ed Edwards read into the record a letter to the Editor he sent to the Echo last October. He said he has sold hundreds of lots in Shoreline Park, Bayside Park and other similar subdivisions within the last 20 years and knows of only five locations where traditional homes were built.

He said a ban on mobile homes would not turn Shoreline or Bayside Park into upscale neighborhoods, and trailers should be allowed if they are less than 10 years old, skirted and kept neat.

Mildred Prestenbach, who lives on Hancock Drive in Bayside Park, said original covenants prohibited trailers from coming into the subdivision, but the regulations were never enforced. She said some of the older, deteriorating trailers should be moved out, but, "I don't see anything wrong if

they keep them up."

Gee Ogletree, an attorney representing the Mississippi Manufactured Housing Association, read into the record the organization's opposition to the trailer ban.

"No ordinance should discriminate against a manufactured home solely because it is factory built according to federal law and the HUD code," he said.

Ogletree said the mobile homes being manufactured now are far different than those brought in before Hurricane Camille.

Daryl Meadows, who also sells mobile homes, said the manufactured homes now located in the areas that would be affected "are better than the average house there now." He said the proposal to ban trailers in the affected areas would protect the wealthy "while sacrificing the poor people."

Margaret Gomez said she owns two homes in Bayside Park, but also rents five trailers.

"We had covenants in Bayside Park, but it did not develop as it should. For years we didn't have street lights or paved roads," she said.

Gomez said trailers should be allowed now that the area is connected to the county's sewerage system. "They're a needy thing, especially for the old people," she said.

Bernice Williams of Bayside Park said she once lived in a trailer, but now lives in a house. "I see no harm in living in a trailer. The house I live in

now, I wish I had bought a trailer," said Williams.

Roger Estopina, who has a home in the upscale Riverview subdivision near Shoreline Park, supported the ban. "It's hard to get a good property appraisal if you have a trailer next to you," he said.

Jennifer Smith, who is building a home in Riverview, said she sees a need for people in some areas to live in mobile homes. "But, I don't want one beside me. I want my land protected."

Rusty Veezey, who lives on Old Lazy Road, said he was not necessarily opposed to mobile homes and there are eight nice ones in his neighborhood. "But, there are 65 that are deplorable and are a health, fire and safety hazard," he said, "because there is not adequate enforcement of existing laws."

Veezey said mobile-home owners pay taxes for about seven years, while homeowners pay taxes for life. He said he thought it best if trailers were confined to rural areas of the county, and he feared a proliferation of trailers in the Shoreline Park subdivision, which lies on both sides of state Hwy. 603, would discourage more businesses from locating along the busy corridor.

"Some people at the hearing raised concerns they could not upgrade or replace a trailer in the areas where the ban would be enforced."

However, John Scafide, the counsel to the Planning Commission, said supervisors passed a resolution saying

trailers now located in the subdivisions would be allowed to stay there, and owners could upgrade or replace them with another trailer.

The hearing lasted almost two hours, and the Planning Commission took the proposal under advisement. It is not likely commissioners will vote on the proposal at their monthly meeting, Dec. 6 because the lengthy court record has to be transcribed. Most likely, a vote will come at a recessed meeting of the commission scheduled Dec. 20, but a decision could be delayed until January.

The commission's decision then goes to the board of supervisors, which can concur in the recommendation or overrule it.

If the ban goes into effect, the Mobile Manufactured Home Association has already warned county officials it will appeal to the circuit court.

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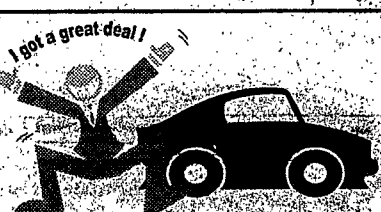
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## Hotel -- Reed owner seeks zoning change

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one person, member Caroline Adam, proposed the question of the fate of the residents at the facility.

Field said that most likely residents would be moved to another one of Cain facilities such as Woodland Village Nursing Center in Diamondhead. The proposed project calls for the demolition of the existing buildings to make way for a new hotel/restaurant/lounge facility with on-site parking. The arguments used by Black and Field in defense of the project is that there was a mistake in the original zoning in the area, that the character of the neighborhood has changed and that there is a public need for the rezoning.

The two argued that the history of the property shows that it has never been residential in nature and was in fact, as the name implies, once a luxury hotel, the Weston. The original hotel, built in 1923, was later sold and operated under the name of Hotel Reed until 1959, the year it was transformed into a nursing facility.

Neighbor Winston Levy, who spoke out in support of the project, said he had fond memories

of the property's hotel days. "My brother had his bachelor party there and he was married there," said Levy.

Even if no mistake were made in the original zoning of the property as R-1, Black and Field argued, the neighborhood, they said, has changed in recent years from a primarily residential district and dying business district to a thriving tourist industry with the resurgence of Old Town.

Another neighbor, Joe Williams, said he found the nursing facility to be disruptive to the neighborhood.

Garbage trucks serving the facility and ambulances coming to the facility are noisy, Williams said. "Anything would be better than what they have there now."

Residents speaking out against the re-zoning were mainly concerned that the commercial status would leave the neighborhood open to more commercial zoning requests or that the proposed hotel could become anything else once the zoning change took place.

"Once zoned commercial, this property will be opened to anything," said Sherrye

Webster.

"We picked up and moved here because we loved the ambience. Once you re-zone commercial, the door is wide open and the owners or future owners can do anything allowed in a commercial zone."

"We made a sand beach so that our children and families could enjoy it," said Leo Seal. "With a hotel full of people, it will infringe on the residents and will not be the same kind of an area."

"I remember a time when we didn't even have a key to lock our door," said Pat Dickinson. "Would any of you (the commission) like to have a commercial area in your back yard or next door ... I would think strongly about changing the zoning."

Resident Franya Ethridge said the request amounted to spot zoning and that it would be "ridiculous to declare that the area was commercial just because it was used commercially at one time."

An employee at Hotel Reed who would not disclose her name, declined comment saying that all comments would have to go through the administrator, who was unavailable.

## Murder

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statements led investigators to arrest Boudreaux, who is being charged as an adult.

Levon's relatives told reporters Friday that two juveniles were arrested after the shooting, but police will not confirm that report and have released only Boudreaux's name. Relatives also indicated that both Levon and Boudreaux had been students together at the Bay-Waveland Alternative School.

Boudreaux, of Trout St. in Bay St. Louis, is being held at the Hancock County Justice Facility under a \$50,000 bond.

McNeil said the case is still

under investigation by Bay PD's Detective Don Watson, assisted by Detective Earnest Taylor. Also offering assistance Friday were officers from the Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the Waveland Police Department.

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BY NORMAN WINTER  
MSU Horticulturist  
Central Mississippi  
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Center

If you are ready to try something new in the cool season flower garden, you had better start shopping because this fall looks to be the best in quite some time for new, heirloom or unusual plants.

I'd always considered stock to be just something we invested in, but stock is a plant we need to try especially this time of the year.

In fact, stock can be grown across the state if they are planted now. They will bloom in the cool season unless it is really cold, in which case they will endure to bloom in early spring.

We planted stock a few years ago at the Truck Crops Branch Experiment Station in Crystal Springs for the Fall Flower and Garden Fest. They weren't quite as large as I would have liked by the field day, but I was still impressed.

A few Mississippi nurseries were growing them, but the public really had no idea what they were.

Botanically speaking, stock is *Matthiola incana* and is in the cruciferae family with relatives like cabbage, broccoli and collards.

Most plants grow 12 to 18 inches tall. They come in white, lavender, pink, maroon, purple and yellow.

They are either single or double and borne on vertical spikes. They give an heirloom or cottage look to the garden.

One particular trait that makes them a winner is a very enticing fragrance.

They like full sun for best growth and flowering and prefer a bed rich in organic matter and absolutely perfect drainage.

Like most flowers, it is best to buy them not blooming because they will establish much more quickly than those in bloom. This is always a problem with consumers who need instant gratification.

Space the plants 10 to 15 inches apart except with the midjet variety that can be planted closer.

Side dress every four to six weeks with a slow release 2-1-1 ratio fertilizer, or feed with a dilute water-soluble fertilizer every other week.

This year I have seen more stock for sale than in previous years. Your willingness to try new plants, or in this case an heirloom plant that is new again, will ensure more availability in the years to come.

If you can't find the trans-

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## Queen of the Dance

Bay artist/dancer proving that you can age without becoming old

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

"I guess you could say I have a split personality," said artist Jackie Yarrington, a.k.a. dancer Yasmin Wardah (Jasmine Rose). Yarrington and Wardah are actually the same talented person, depending on the talent she is displaying at the moment.

On Wednesday, Yarrington was relaxing in her Bay St. Louis home drinking decaf at a round mosaic table which she created herself. The table portrays the great lovers of the world—Adam and Eve in the center, surrounded by such famous pairs as Rhett and Scarlett and Napoleon and Josephine. A large tapestry portraying a middle eastern dancer hung over the table.

Her Siamese cat Habibi ("love," in Arabic) had retreated under the couch, resenting the intrusion of a visitor.

"I have always had Siamese cats," said Yarrington. "They are almost like humans."

The walls in her living and dining areas attest to the fact of her love for the cats, sporting several paintings of past-loved Siamese.

"That is a portrait of Little Turk," she said, pointing to a portrait of a regal animal draped in strands of precious beads and jewels. "He lived to be eighteen."

Yarrington, who says she is over sixty-five, has been dancing all her life and teaching and performing middle eastern dance (belly dancing) for about 30 years.

"I don't like to tell my age because when you tell people your age they tend to categorize you," she said.

And Yarrington certainly



Jackie Yarrington, a.k.a. Yasmin Wardah, shows off her belly dancing skills at her Bay St. Louis home on Wednesday.

could not be categorized by any of the usual means. Slight of build, with long snow white

hair, this lady can still do a backbend and many yoga postures that people decades her

junior would be hard-pressed to perform.

Yarrington began her life in

Michigan, but moved south to warmer climates earlier in life. She began her career as a commercial artist and has worked in the finest department stores and businesses plying her craft in some 13 different cities as diverse as New York and Houston.

She still uses her artistic talent to paint commissioned portraits, paintings and murals around the coast. Currently she is working on a commissioned portrait of a client's child. Her largest work so far is a mural of a plantation scene in the parking garage at the Dauphin Orleans. Many locals may have seen her murals on the walls of what is now Court Street at the corner of Court St. and Beach Blvd., in the Bay.

For extra money Yarrington creates what she calls "house portraits." She chooses a home, paints it, and then offers the painting for sale to the owners. "Of course, there is no obligation," she said. "If they want it that is fine and if not, that is fine too."

In the evenings Yarrington becomes Yasmin Wardah, exotic dancer, and offers small classes in her home. "Some people stick with the lessons, others are only curious," Yarrington said.

Yarrington, herself began middle eastern dancing while working in New York. She and a co-worker decided to take lessons together. "I stuck with it all these years, but she didn't," Yarrington said. "I had taken ballet, hula and modern dance and at the time, middle eastern dancing was becoming very popular."

"I love middle eastern dancing because it allows you to be creative," she said. "You can choreograph your own performance or turn on the music and just do your own thing ... improvise. You can also be create your own costumes."

Yarrington makes all her

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## It's kind of Paul's anniversary, so 'No column today'

There will be no column today.

I apologize for this, and for those of you who enjoy my columns, I feel I should give some explanation for my not writing one.

This marks the 100th column that I've written for the SeaCoast Echo. That's a lot of columns. When I realized this, I thought that it would be only right that I should somehow celebrate.

After a lot of thought on what would be appropriate, I decided that the best thing to do would be to take the day off and not write a column.

So, I have.

I happily explained all this to Stella this evening as we



### Views From a Front Porch

by Paul Estronza La Violette  
laviolette@mail.datasync.com

were finishing supper. She had given me my coffee and was fixing desert. She had actually initiated my explanation by asking me what I had done today. Since my column was due, she figured that there would be a long story about the column and the various details of my writing it.

So, she was rather surprised when I told her "Nothing

Then, of course, I had to explain that this marks the 100th column I have written and I was celebrating by not writing a column.

"I'm taking a rest," I said smugly. "I think I deserve it."

She gave me my dessert and then sat down opposite me and watched as I started on the fresh peaches and her home made vanilla ice cream.

"But, Paul," she said after a few moments. "If you don't write the column, there won't be a 100th column."

I stopped and looked at her in disbelief. She had managed to get it all wrong. I decided to be patient and picking up my coffee, tactfully recited once again my explanation what I was doing and why.

"Stella, please understand, I'm celebrating and I've decided the best way to celebrate is by not writing a column. What's hard to understand about that? Like I said."

"But don't you see? If you don't write your 100th column, what will you be celebrating?"

She was starting to confuse me. I began digging deeper into

my dish of peaches and ice cream. It seemed that as usual she hadn't given me enough desert and I thought for a moment about telling her, but then decided not to. I remembered what happened when I complained about it the last time.

"I tell you what I'll do," I said pushing away the empty dish and picking up my coffee again. "Since my column next week will be the start of my next hundred columns, I'll make the subject of that first column in that hundred the fact that I'm writing my 101st column." I smiled and put down the cup and looked at her, proud that I

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# What's for Lunch?

Dec. 3-7

## Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District

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**Wednesday:** French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice  
**Thursday:** Sausage and Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice  
**Friday:** Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Toast, Juice

**LUNCH**  
**Monday:** Beef-A-Roni, Ham and Cheese with Trimmings, Buttered Corn, Seasoned Green Beans, Fresh Apple, Peach Slices, Yeast Roll, Apple Crisp  
**Tuesday:** Stuffed Crust Pizza, Roast Beef Poboy with Gravy, Parslied New Potatoes, Cheesy Broccoli, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Banana, Jell-O Cake  
**Wednesday:** Chicken Gumbo with Rice, Corn Dog Nuggets, Potato Salad, Mixed Vegetables, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Frozen Fruit Juice Bar, Peanut Butter Chew, Crackers  
**Thursday:** Taco Salad, BBQ Rib Sandwich, Cream-style Corn, Cheesy Broccoli and Cauliflower, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Chilled Pears  
**Friday:** Lasagna, Texas Grilled Cheese with Chili, French Fries, Green Peas,

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## All-Star dancer

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## Hancock School District to administer area exams

The Hancock County School District and all Mississippi public school districts will be administering the Subject Area Tests in the areas of Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History from 1877, and English II during the week of Dec. 4-7.

According to new Mississippi State Department of Education graduation requirements, students must pass these tests based upon the year they enter the 9th grade in order to graduate.

Parents can help their children prepare for the tests by making sure they are in attendance at school, have spent time studying, and are well rested in preparation for these tests.

For additional information, contact Kim Saucier, curriculum and testing coordinator, at 255-0376.

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Mrs. Charlie Graham, left, Melinda Richard, Dr. Oscar Paulson, Mrs. Bill Smith, Elizabeth Toca, Danna Piazza, Petie Hyman and Bay St. Louis City Councilman Jim Thrifflay.

## Gather Ye Rosebuds celebrates the Year of the Rose – 2002

The Year of the Rose 2002 event was invented by the American Rose Society as a year-long worldwide, grassroots celebration of the rose.

A joint session of the U.S. Congress officially proclaimed 2002 as the Year of the Rose.

The proclamation is awaiting the signature of President Bush. As part of the year-long celebration, Mayor Eddie Favre and the Bay St. Louis City Council have proclaimed the City of Bay St. Louis an official participant in the Year of the

Rose 2002 celebration.

The proclamation was presented to the board of Gather Ye Rosebuds by Councilman Jim Thrifflay at a special party in October at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club. Dr. and Mrs. Ron Graham hosted the party.

## Spring semester registration dates scheduled at Pearl River College

Orientation and registration for new students attending Pearl River Community College during the 2002 spring semester will be held Jan. 3-4 on the Poplarville campus. All students who have not attended PRCC must attend the orientation session at 8:30 a.m. either day.

Students who will attend the Forrest County Center in Hattiesburg will register from 2-6 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2 in the multi-purpose building.

Night class registration for Poycune, Columbia, Bay St. Louis, Hattiesburg, or Poplarville will be held from 2-6 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 3 on the Poplarville campus.

Day and night classes begin Monday, Jan. 7. Late registration and schedule changes start in Hancock Hall on Jan. 8 through Jan. 11. The spring semester ends May 7.

New students will register according to the following last-

name schedule: Thursday, Jan. 4: A-B, 9:30 a.m.; C-D 10 a.m.; E-F-G, 10:30 a.m.; H-I, 1 p.m.; J-K, 1:30 p.m.; L-M, 2 p.m.

Friday: N-O, 9:30 a.m.; P-Q, 10 a.m.; S-T, 10:30 a.m.; U-V, 1 p.m.; W, 1:30 p.m.; X-Y-Z, 2 p.m. Returning students, who attended PRCC during the fall 2001 semester may register online at <http://pipeline.prc.cc.ms.us>.

Night classes offered in Columbia include World Literature II, Intermediate Algebra, College Algebra, and Oral Communication.

Bay St. Louis night classes include Introduction to Business, English Composition II, Human Growth and Development, World Civilization I, and College Algebra.

Poycune will offer College Algebra, Introduction to Sociology, and Oral Communication at night.

For information or a com-

plete schedule of classes check out the PRCC website at [www.prc.cc.ms.us](http://www.prc.cc.ms.us) or phone (601) 403-1214.

## Tax-aid volunteer counselors needed

Local volunteers are needed for community service programs sponsored by AARP and the IRS to provide free tax assistance during the tax-filing season to those who need help with basic federal and state income tax forms.

Call or e-mail Tax-Aide coordinator Galen Bonebrake at (228) 388-5976 or [GalenBonebrake@AOL.com](mailto:GalenBonebrake@AOL.com) for specifics.

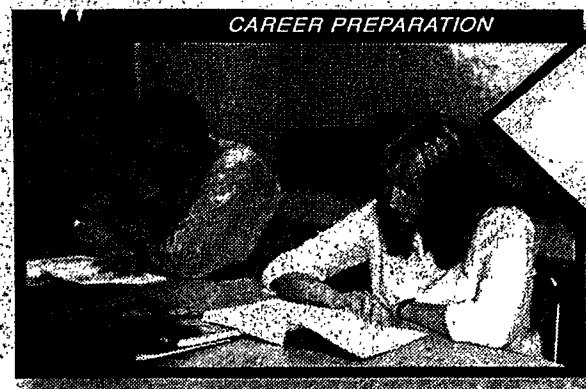
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## MDA seeks volunteers for 2002 summer camp

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is accepting applications from people willing to volunteer to serve as counselors at the MDA summer camp to be held June 15 through 21 at Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman, Miss.

Counselors serve as companions to campers affected by neuromuscular diseases who range in age from 6 to 21 years of age.

Counselors assist campers with activities of daily living such as feeding, bathing and dressing, and help them enjoy activities, such as arts and crafts, swimming, canoeing and horseback riding. Those selected as counselors must be at least 16 and able to lift a child.

"MDA summer camp is a special week of the year when children with muscular dystrophy can enjoy themselves in a peer group. They can participate in a full range of outdoor activities adapted to their abilities," says MDA Regional Director

Cindy Aycock.

"Besides being great fun, camp helps youngsters grow and develop emotionally and socially - it's truly the highlight of the year for both campers and volunteers."

During summer 2002 more than 4,000 youngsters are expected to attend MDA summer camp at more than 70 sites from New England to Hawaii. Camp is free of charge to families served by MDA.

MDA is a voluntary health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for neuromuscular diseases affecting more than a million Americans. For more information or to volunteer, call the MDA office in Jackson at (601) 936-6862 or MDA national headquarters at (800) 572-1717.

Information about MDA research advances, programs and other services is available at MDA's Web site, [www.mdausa.org](http://www.mdausa.org).

## Take Off Pounds Sensibly

### CHAPTER 307

TOPS, MS. 307, Waveland, met Wednesday, Nov. 28 at the Waveland Public Library with 10 members present. Jean was the week's best loser with 2 1/4 pounds. Paula was top KOPS. Club members welcomed visitor and former member Jean. The chapter's open house is set for Jan. 16. The chapter meets every Wednesday at the

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...OBVIOUSLY, THIS DIDN'T FIT REHOBOAM'S IDEA OF WHAT A KING SHOULD BE LIKE, SO HE SOUGHT ADVICE OF THE YOUNG PRINCES WITH WHOM HE HAD GROWN UP. TO A MAN, THEY ALL AGREED THE PEOPLE NEEDED A SEVERE LESSON FOR THEIR IMPUDENCE IN QUESTIONING A KING'S RIGHT TO TAX HIS PEOPLE. SO, THREE DAYS AFTER THE QUESTION HAD BEEN PUT TO HIM, THE KING GAVE THEM HIS ANSWER—HE WOULD TAX THEM GREATER THAN SOLOMON EVER HAD. HE WOULD WORK THEM HARDER THAN SOLOMON EVER WORKED THEM! AND PERHAPS REHOBOAM SHOULD HAVE BEEN FOREWARNED, FOR THE EPHRAIMITES APPEARED BEFORE HIM IN ALL THE ACCOUTREMENTS OF WAR—THEY WERE CAST! THE TEN TRIBES OF THE NORTH REBELLED, NAMING JEROBOAM THEIR KING—AND NEVER AGAIN WAS ISRAEL UNITED!

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REFLECTIONS  
ON LIFEBy Father Jerome  
LeDoux, SVD

## God strips our pride

**W**e all do it in our own particular spheres of activity and performance. So I made a silent, inner appraisal of my homily last Sunday. My feeling was not especially good. In fact, I felt I had bombed to some extent. That negative view hounded me deep into Monday evening until I received a phone call.

"God put those words in your mouth," I was told repeatedly. "Your sermon was tailor-made for a number of us, especially for a friend of mine."

My eyes rolled in every direction in the kitchen where I was speaking, and my mind registered mild shock at the intimate effect of a talk I considered a dud. I might have known something like this would happen, for not a few homilies considered rejects by me have heavily impacted certain people.

It was the same old story. I put far too much value on what I said and how I said it, forgetting the jolting statement of Paul: "I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth. Therefore neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who causes the growth" (1 Corinthians 3:6-7).

"My friend denied the sermon was especially for her, but there she was crying like a baby. Everything she was denying with her mouth was being revealed through her tears and her body language. That sermon was also for me, because I have been out of control, greatly afflicted from many sides."

We are very slow learners when it comes to striking the delicate balance between what we humans contribute and what God develops out of our little contribution. Apparently, it takes us the better part of a lifetime to get it right, as we give too much weight to our own efforts time after time.

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the learning of the learned I will set aside," Paul continues. "For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength. Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 1:19, 25, 31).

James comes down squarely in chapter four, verse six of his brief letter: "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

That puts us in a very interesting quandary. We are expected to do our very best, no matter what we are undertaking. Therefore, all our human resources, talents and energy should be trained on what we are doing. Yet, we have to let God take over and deliver the coup de grace in all that we do.

This peculiar tension between the human and the divine puts us in mind of the centuries-old dictum: "Work as if everything depends on you. Pray as if everything depends on God." We even exhort each other to take pride in our work, but such pride means satisfaction, not the arrogance of self-exaltation.

It is the same mind-teasing paradox repeatedly thrown at us by Jesus who challenges us to be all we can be: "I came that they might have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10). In the same breath, Jesus charges us to become like little children, warning us about our attitude:

"Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it" (Luke 18:16, 17).

To top it all off, Jesus went a step beyond that, extolling the smallness and weakness of his subjects as the surest signs of greatness:

"Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. For the one who is least among all of you is the one who is the greatest" (Luke 9:48).

And, just in case you consider yourself learned and wise, Jesus gives us a veritable bath in the waters of humility by confirming all these observations in another striking expression of his public life:

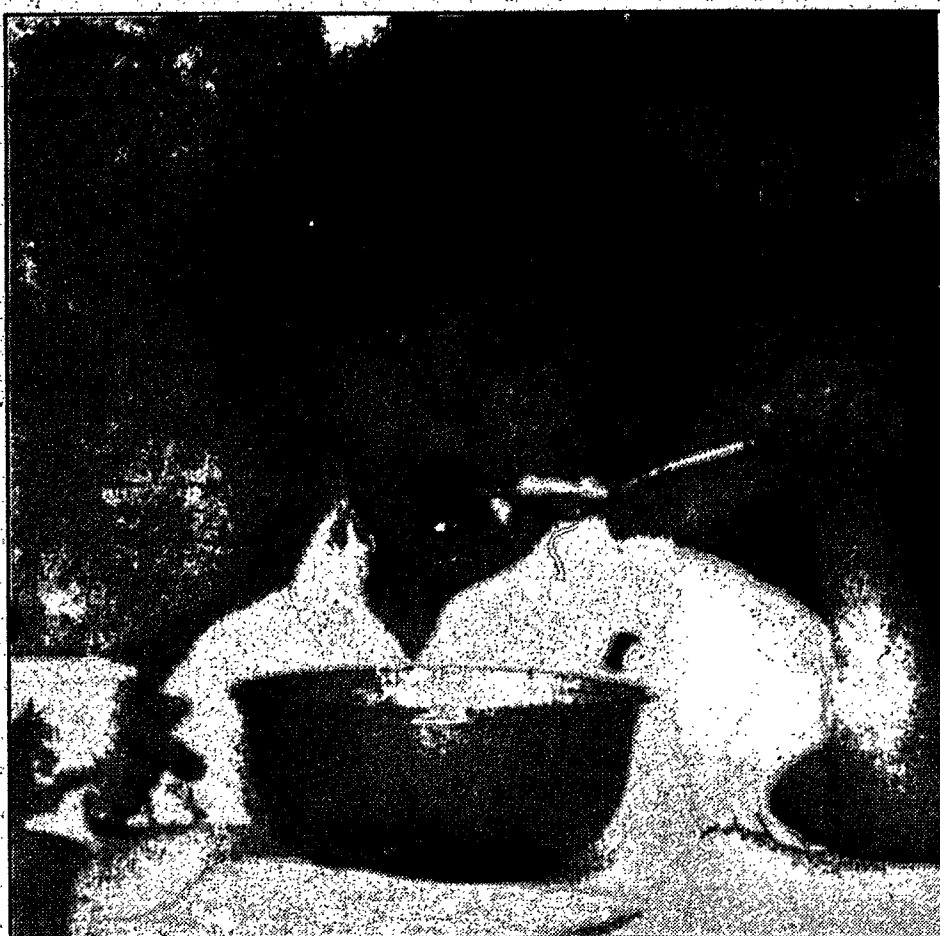
"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike" (Matthew 11:25).

With all these paradoxes flowing our understanding, our thoughts, our attitudes, our words and our actions, can we possibly achieve what Jesus so strongly challenges us to?

Paul is convinced we can accomplish what Jesus urges us to, and that we do not even have a sensible option. We simply must do it.

"I think that I am not in any way inferior to these 'superapostles,'" but "if I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 11:5, 30; 12:9).

Quite counter to our human ways of thinking, these Jesus paradoxes lay down a very strange, but extremely simple, compelling and effective plan by which, without any negative stress, we can do all God wants us to do, be all we can be, and find wonderful peace and fulfillment in the doing of it.



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St. Paul Catholic School pre-Kindergarten 3-year-olds celebrated Fudge Brownie Sundae Day. The children, under the guidance of Terri Newton and Jennifer Shelton, prepared homemade brownies, topped with ice cream, chocolate syrup, whipped cream and a cherry. The little chefs cook every Friday and await this activity with great anticipation. They learn stirring, pouring, measuring and even patience. Pictured enjoying the treat is Boone Stover.

## Scripture says . . .

By Ed Young

Why is America under attack? Why are so many millions of people in Africa murdered and starving to death?

Why are so many thousands of Afghanists being killed and made homeless?

Why does such cruelty have its way in so many nations throughout the world?

The reason is clear in the Scriptures.

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." (Ephesians 6:12)

Since time began there has been spiritual wickedness with a mind-set to destroy mankind. The powers of darkness use and work through men with hate and per-

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Father John Kelly, pastor, 228-467-4746

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Dec. 6: Respect Life Talks, 7 p.m. in the school building.

Dec. 7: First Sunday of Advent.

Dec. 7: First Friday, 8:30 a.m. mass followed by Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until noon.

Dec. 7: Vigil Mass, Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Day of Obligation, 7 p.m., St. Ann.

Dec. 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception, mass 9 a.m., St. John.

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## Dancer -- Yarrington

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own costumes though a lot of the supplies from past times came from business that are no longer in existence, she said. "The fabrics are hard to find now and many of the dancers today don't put the details into them that we used to do."

Yarrington has a vast collection of costumes from folk style, long straight dresses slit up the side, to cabaret style, complete with jeweled and sequined bra

tops and veils. "In middle eastern dance the costume must be made with care and good fabrics," Yarrington said. "Because you are close your audience and there must be a lot of attention to detail." Now days, she says she combs garage sales, thrift shops and flea markets to find various items she remake into costumes.

"For a costume you want something that shakes a little,

shimmy's a little to show movement," Yarrington said. "Folk dancers may skip some of the glitter and shine and stick to more of a country look. But at a performance people want to see a pretty costume."

Her classes, which are weekly, begin with a series of floor exercises. To limber up the muscles, she said. Because middle eastern dance is all about using the muscles. The dance

movements are graceful undulations accomplished by the isolation of various muscles. The dance can be very relaxing, especially after a hard day at the office, she said. You can just get into the dance and forget your problems.

Students vary in age and occupation, Yarrington said. Many are middle age or older and have tried the dance before or just have a love for dancing.

Some just want something to do that will allow them to let loose. If you keep up the lessons and especially if you practice at home in between lessons it will help you limber up and stay or get into shape.

At the end of the visit, Habibi honored the room with his presence and allowed himself to be petted for a moment, but not by Yarrington. He was still indignant that she had

allowed strangers to interrupt his tranquility. He hid himself in a corner of the room.

Yarrington is currently beginning a new set of classes, one of which is already full. "When the students come, I teach," she said. "When the classes are full, they are full and that's it."

If you are interested in taking a class or in commissioning a painting or mural, Yarrington can be reached at 466-0774.

## DMR: Commercial red snapper season to close next Tuesday, December 4

The commercial fishing season for red snapper (Lutjanus campechanus) will close in Mississippi territorial waters

Tuesday, Dec. 4 at noon.

Commercial fishing season will close in federal waters on Dec. 3 at noon.

The closing of the commercial red snapper fishing season is issued under the authority of Section 49-15-15 (1) (a) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, and order of the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources.

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## Garden

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plants, then you most certainly can grow from seeds. Plant seeds in flats and cover lightly with soil. Keep the seed-bed moist. Seeds will germinate in about 10 days. Transplants can be set in the garden for late winter planting.

Another plant that is sure to catch your eye is the linaria. This close relative of the snapdragon is fairly new to garden centers.

Also known as baby snapdragon, the linaria features delicate looking foliage but has an abundance of flowers that are both bright and colorful.

This one is probably best as

an early spring crop in the northern portion of the state and a fall crop elsewhere.

Keep them well mulched and deadheaded, and you will find yourself wondering, where this plant has been.

If you would like to watch and learn without trying yourself you can see how they do at the southern Wheatley Drive entrance to North Park Mall in Jackson.

There are a lot of plants out there. While it is great to have those that are tried and true, we wouldn't be gardeners if we did not want to experiment a little, too!

## Views -- no column

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had figured a way out of the problem. "I think that should do it."

"Paul, that wouldn't be true!"

"Why not?"

"I've told you why! You haven't written the 100th column yet." She had started to use that tone in her voice. "How can you tell people that you are writing your 101st column? Don't you see? What you are calling your 101st column will really be your 100th column. People aren't stupid; they'll know that it will not your 101st column. You pride yourself on the fact that everything you write about is true. This won't be! They'll be sending those letters to the editor again. You remember what happened the last time."

By now I was the one getting exasperated. "Look, Stella, I've checked thoroughly this time. This is my 100th! I didn't make a mistake, I counted. All this is very simple. I can't see why you

are having a problem. The column I'm not writing today is my 100th, so it stands to reason my column next week will have to be my 101st. People can count also, they'll realize that."

I found that I was standing, I was breathing hard and I was raising my voice. I sat down.

It became very quiet. Jennie shifted nervously under the table. Holly had left the room completely. Finally, I got up, picked up the dishes, put them in the dishwasher, put them in the soap, started it, and headed for the living room. "I've rented a movie for tonight. Let's go watch it."

"What is it?"

"The Gladiator"

"We've watched that movie three times already. Why do you keep bringing it home?"

"It's a good movie."

I settled down in me chair and pressed the 'play' button.

**(EDITOR'S NOTE: I have checked and found that this actually marks Mr. La Violette's 99th column. At the next editorial meeting, I will explain this to Mr. La Violette that he owes us a 99th column and that only after writing that column will he be free not to write his 100th column.)**

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"Paul, that wouldn't be true!"

"Why not?"

"I've told you why! You haven't written the 100th column yet." She had started to use that tone in her voice. "How can you tell people that you are writing your 101st column? Don't you see? What you are calling your 101st column will really be your 100th column. People aren't stupid; they'll know that it will not be your 101st column. You pride yourself on the fact that everything you write about is true. They'll be sending letters to the editor asking me to remember what happened last time."

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are having a problem. The column I'm not writing today is my 100th; so it stands to reason my column next week will have to be my 101st. People can count also, they'll realize that."

I found that I was standing. I was breathing hard and I was raising my voice. I sat down.

It became very quiet. Jennie shifted nervously under the table. Holly had left the room completely. Finally, I got up, picked up the dishes, put them in the dishwasher, out in the

"What is it?"

"The Gladiator"

"We've watched that movie three times already. Why do you keep bringing it home?"

"It's a good movie."

I settled down in my chair and pressed the 'play' button.

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Tuesday, Dec. 4 at noon.

Commercial fishing season will close in federal waters on Dec. 3 at noon.

The closing of the commercial red snapper fishing season is issued under the authority of Section 49-15-15 (1) (a) of the Mississippi Code of 1972, and order of the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes.

## Views -- no column

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had figured a way out of the problem. "I think that should do it."

"Paul, that wouldn't be true!"

"Why not?"

"I've told you why! You haven't written the 100th column yet." She had started to use that tone in her voice. "How can you tell people that you are writing your 101st column? Don't you see? What you are calling your 101st column will really be your 100th column. People aren't stupid; they'll know that it will not your 101st column. You pride yourself on the fact that everything you write about is true. This won't be! They'll be sending those letters to the editor again. You remember what happened the last time."

By now I was the one getting exasperated. "Look, Stella, I've checked thoroughly this time. This is my 100th! I didn't make a mistake. All this is very simple. I can't see why you

are having a problem. The column I'm not writing today is my 100th; so it stands to reason my column next week will have to be my 101st. People can count also, they'll realize that."

I found that I was standing. I was breathing hard and I was raising my voice. I sat down.

It became very quiet. Jennie shifted nervously under the table. Holly had left the room completely. Finally, I got up, picked up the dishes, put them in the dishwasher, put them in the soap, started it, and headed for the living room. "I've rented a movie for tonight. Let's go watch it."

"What is it?"

"The Gladiator"

"We've watched that movie three times already. Why do you keep bringing it home?"

"It's a good movie."

I settled down in me chair and pressed the 'play' button.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: I have checked and found that this actually marks Mr. LaViolette's 99th column. At the next editorial meeting, I will explain this to Mr. LaViolette that he owes us a 99th column and that only after writing that column will he be free not to write his 100th column.)

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# Entertainment

## Chris Owens returns to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Dec. 7 & 8



French Quarter legend Chris Owens will perform at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Dec. 7-8.

Chris Owens performs Friday and Saturday, Dec. 7 and 8 at the Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Entertainment Complex, with shows at 7 and 9 p.m. each night. Tickets are \$5 per show.

The Casino Magic Entertainment Complex will be set up "cabaret" style with cocktail tables and the dance floor.

Long known for packing in visitors at her Bourbon Street nightclub, Owens is affectionately known as "The Queen of New Orleans Nightlife."

She is one of the French Quarter's hottest entertainers and can have everyone up and off their seats when she starts a second-line.

She captures her audience

with Jazz, Blues, Rock, Country, and some of the most impressive Latin-based performances.

Visitors to New Orleans coined the phrase, "You haven't seen New Orleans until you've seen Chris Owens."

Newsweek describes Chris Owens as an "international singing and dancing sensation. Her unsurpassed talent is one that you would expect to see in Las Vegas and not on Bourbon Street."

Her unique style of high energy, perpetual motion, and toe-tapping performances livens up any audience.

Owens travels all over the world making appearances as well as performing at her French Quarter club.

She has been featured on several television shows including "Good Morning America" and "Geraldine Rivera." She has

released three albums during her career.

She was also inducted into the Louisiana Entertainers Hall of Fame in 1994.

Tickets are on sale now for all for Dec. 7 and 8 shows and may be purchased at the Casino Magic Box Office and at all Ticketmaster locations. Must be 21 to attend.

For information call 1-800-5-MAGIC-5.

## Second Saturday 'Hot Spots'

The final Second Saturday Artwalk 2001 is Dec. 8.

"Old Town" shops and galleries will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Special activities will take place from 5 to 8 p.m. and will include live music, artists' receptions and refreshments.

Some restaurants will offer specials.

### HOT SPOTS

**CB's COFFEE HOUSE**, 200-B N. Beach Blvd. 228-466-6622, presents the documentary-style portraits of Oscar Creech. The subjects are photographed in many environments and are meant to be spontaneous.

Creech will be at the coffee house from 5 to 8 p.m. "Come by, meet the artist and join us for coffee, tea and delicious homemade pastries and experience

life" through Creech's photography," said Richie Zitzmann, chairman.

**BAY MARDI GRAS** at The Bungalow, 136 Main St., 228-466-2651 will be showing the Mardi Gras masque by artist Judith McCall Anton.

Anton says, "It all began with a piece of Mississippi River clay and the crazy idea that with a little magic I could create a masque that looked right back at you and whispered your name."

Each Anton original is cut and painted by hand. Anton will be at Bay Mardi Gras from 5 to 8 p.m.

**THE PURPLE SNAPPER**, 209 1/2 Main St. 228-467-7703, will feature Marci Herberger of Tin Can Metal Art. Herberger's creative and whimsical pieces are made totally from tin cans.

Her creations include hanging and table lamps, clocks, yard art, picture frames and a 25-foot string of hanging party lights.

Herberger uses a torch to cut the cans into different shapes, burns the design with a torch then paints the finished item with bright colors.

She displays her work at numerous art festivals around the South and continually comes up with new and innovative ideas in her work — they are also environmentally friendly.

Herberger will be at the gallery from 3 to 8 p.m. demonstrating her technique.

**PEOPLES BANK** will sponsor the music "Driskill Mountain Band" playing in the 200 block of Main Street. For information, call chairman Richie Zitzmann at 228-467-6870.

## USMGC Civic Chorale to give Christmas concert at D'head

The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Civic Chorale will give two performances for their annual Christmas concert, the first week of December.

The first performance will begin at 7 p.m. on December 2 at the Diamondhead Performing Arts Society, held in

the Diamondhead Country Club. Tickets are available by calling (228) 255-6049.

The second performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the USM Gulf Park Hardy Hall Auditorium, in Long Beach. Tickets are not needed for this performance. Admission is free.

The Chorale will sing the

sounds of old and new settings of Christmas favorites, as well as music of 20th century composers and arrangers.

The performances will be conducted by Joanne Edwards and accompanied by Dr. John Adams.

For more information contact Edwards at (228) 863-9879

## Wings classes offered at Discovery Center

**WINGS** Performing Arts Program at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center is accepting students in classes that begin January 7. Classes are in acting, stage craft II, Suzuki violin, dance, voice and chorus.

Acting, stage craft II and Suzuki violin are 12-week classes. Acting engages students in improvisation, monologue, scene work and audition techniques while developing confidence, imagination and creativity.

The class is designed for children ages 9-14. Stage craft II involves students in lighting, painting, costumes and mask making. The class is suitable for ages 12 and up.

Suzuki violin offers children ages 3-5 an opportunity to play beautiful music while improving manual dexterity, coordination, discipline, self-esteem and concentration. Tuition is \$100 to \$140.

For more information, call Tonya Hays, WINGS director, at 897-6039 ext. 22. Holiday gift certificates for the classes are available.

## 125th anniversary celebration at St. Paul for Christmas in the Pass

St. Paul School celebrates 125 years of Catholic education at Christmas in the Pass, Friday, Dec. 7 in the evening.

St. Paul School treats the community to an array of events in celebration of its 125th year.

There will be a living Nativity, performances by the St. Paul School Bell Choir, and a Christmas Bazaar especially designed for children to shop for the gifts they'll give this Christmas.

Father Dennis Carver will be spinning cotton candy for the enjoyment of the young and the young at heart.

Hospitality is provided by the faculty, staff and school board. In addition there will be a train ride, a pony ride and an opportunity for families to have Christmas card pictures taken. Available will be jambalaya,

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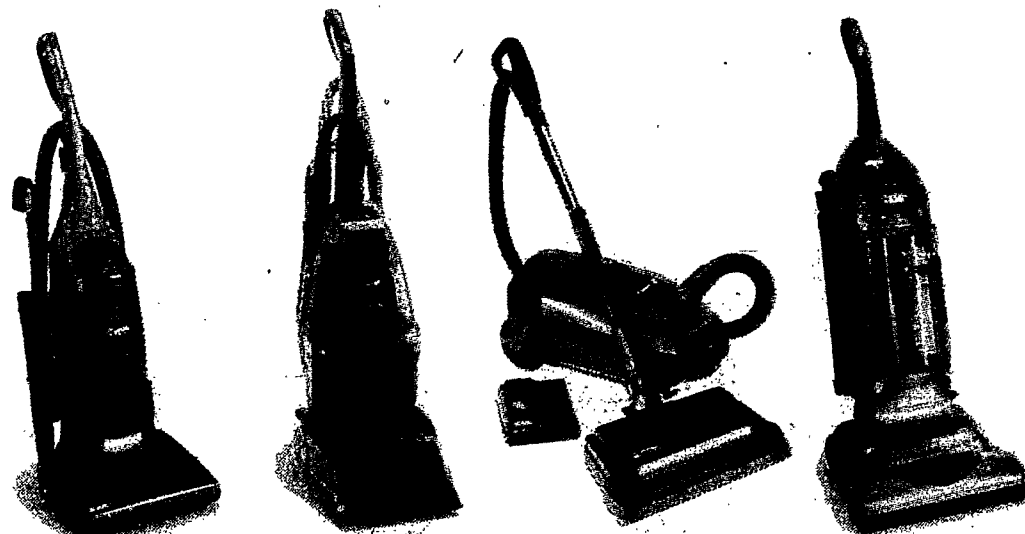
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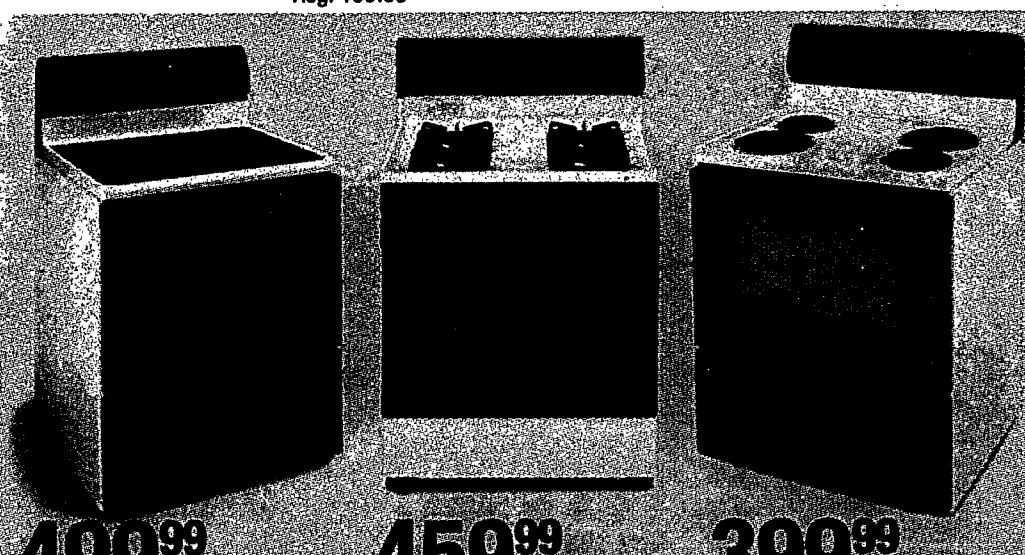
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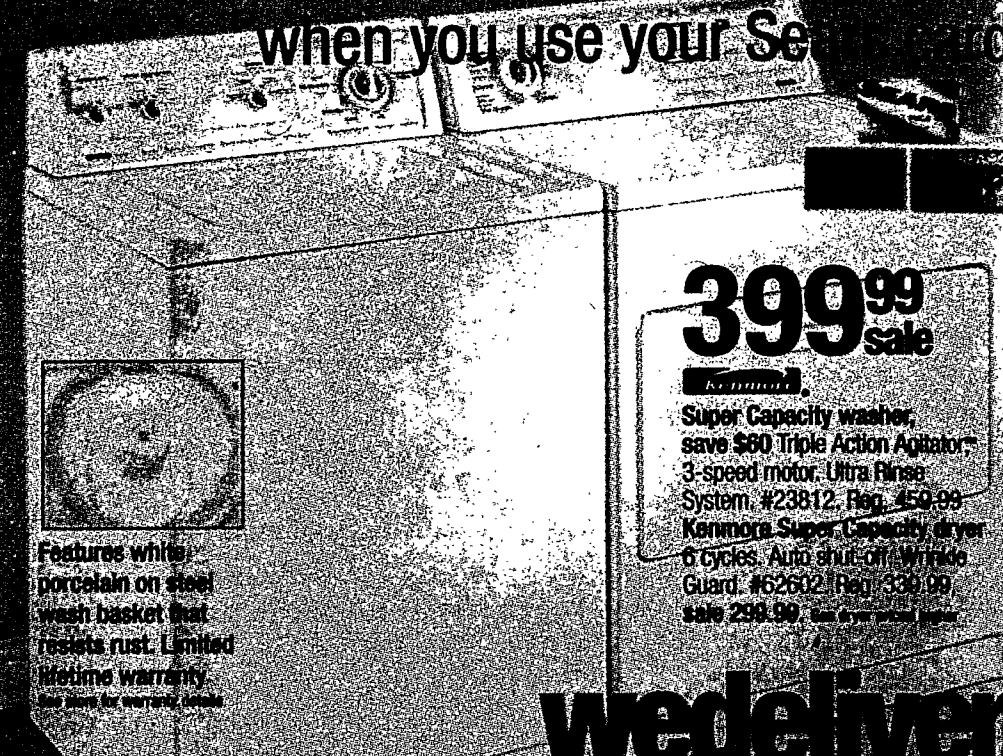


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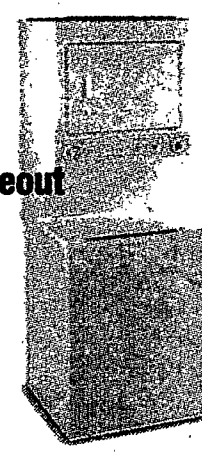
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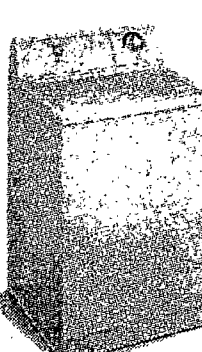
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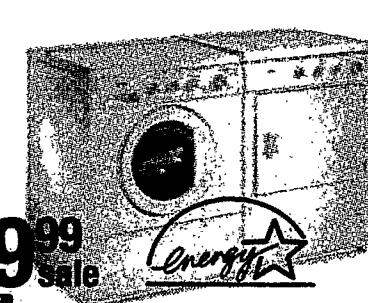
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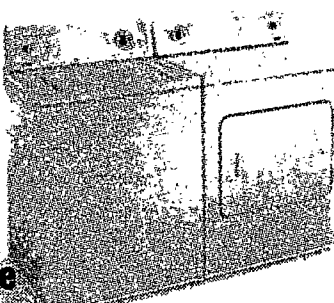
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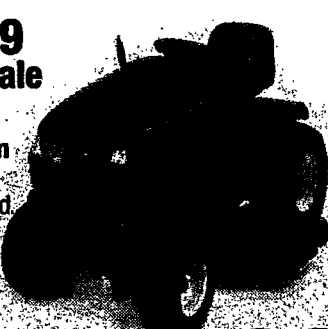


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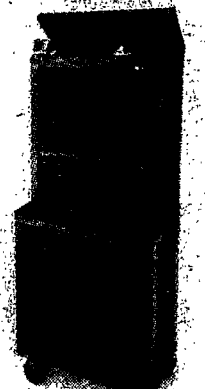
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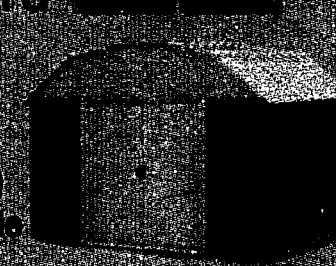
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